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PART I

Punjab Government Notifications and Orders

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF POWER

(Power Reforms Wing)

NOTIFICATION

The 12th September, 2023

No.Power PR25/4/2020-OSD Power/852.-The Governor of Punjab is pleased to constitute a "State Level Steering Committee (SLSC)" on Energy Transition with the following composition: -

(i)	Chief Secretary :		Chairman
(ii)	Administrative Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare	:	Member
(iii)	Administrative Secretary, Department of Rural Development & Panchayats	:	Member
(iv)	Administrative Secretary, Department of Power	:	Member
(v)	Administrative Secretary, Department of Finance	:	Member
(vi)	Administrative Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development	:	Member
(vii)	Administrative Secretary, Department of Forests and Wild Life	:	Member
(vii)	Administrative Secretary, Department of Science, Technology and Environment	:	Member
(ix)	Administrative Secretary, Department of Transport	:	Member
(x)	Administrative Secretary, Department of Public Works (Building and Roads)	:	Member
(xi)	Administrative Secretary, Department of New and Renewable Energy Sources	:	Member
(xii)	Administrative Secretary, Department of Industries & Commerce	:	Member
(xiii)	Chairman-cum-Managing Director, PSPCL	:	Member
(xiv)	Chief Executive, PEDA	:	Member/Convenor

2. The Committee will meet periodically at least once in three months to review the progress and achievements of energy transition goals. The Committee will bring together collective efforts from all the concerned departments of the State to enable a clean, secure, and sustainable energy transition in the country.

3. The Committee will work on the annual strategy of energy transition.

Objectives of the SLSC:

4. The objectives of the State Level Steering Committee for Energy Transition will be as follows:-

i) **Identification of Key Pillars of Energy Transition:** Provide directions and guidance to the concerned departments to accelerate the deployment of renewable energy projects, investment in energy efficiency and creation of charging infrastructure for electric vehicles, utilization of biomass and green hydrogen, and other clean energy initiatives in industry, transport, buildings etc.

ii) **Strategic Roadmap for Energy Transition:** Supervise the formulation of short-term and long-term strategic roadmaps for energy transition, focusing on sectors such as renewable, energy efficiency, electric mobility, biomass, bio-fuels, green hydrogen, fuel substitution, electrification and more.Additionally, develop and implement a comprehensive roadmap to reduce carbon emissions, with clear short-term, medium term, and long-term goals.

iii) **Economic Development and Job Creation:** Promote economic development and support job creation in the clean energy sector by attracting investments and fostering entrepreneurship.

iv) International Best Practices and Investment Opportunities: Stay informed about global best practices and emerging trends in clean energy transition. Explore investment opportunities and promote knowledge sharing for State-level energy transition.

Role and Functions of the SLSC:

5. The roles and functions of the State Level Steering Committee will be as under:-

i) **Policy Guidance**: Provide policy guidance and recommendations to achieve State-specific energy transition goals, including renewable energy deployment, energy efficiency, emission reductions, and other focus areas.

ii) **Sustainable Development:** Provide strategic direction to enable sustainable growth, foster a favourable business environment, and support entrepreneurship in the clean energy sector.

iii) **Stakeholder Coordination:** Act as a convening platform for policymakers, utilities, regulators, government entities, private industry, academic institutions, community organizations, and research think tanks to facilitate collaboration through public-private partnerships and other means.

iv) **Capacity Building and Research:** Drive capacity building and market-ready workforce development activities to enhance skills and knowledge related to energy transition. Promote research and innovation in clean energy technologies and solutions within the State/UT.

v) **Local Supply Chain Development:** Promote the growth of ancillary industries associated with clean energy projects by encouraging the development of a local supply chains.

vi) **Monitoring and Evaluation:** Establish monitoring and evaluation mechanisms to track the progress of energy transition initiatives and assess their impacts and outcomes.

Support by the State Designated Agency (SDA):

6. The State Designated Agency (SDA) will provide support to the State Level Steering Committee for Energy Transition on the following points:-

i) Monitoring progress towards State-wise carbon emission reduction targets.

ii) Reviewing updates on clean energy transition initiatives across various sectors.
iii) Monitoring project progress and ensuring quality and timely completion.
iv) Reviewing the expenditure of funds allocated to SDAs for energy conservation activities.
v) Reviewing the State policy landscape and discussing policy or regulatory interventions.
vi) Reviewing petitions filed against defaulters towards their non-compliances to provisions of the Energy Conservation Act and/or rules/regulations/guidelines arising from that.
vii) Promoting stakeholder collaboration and coordination.
viii) Addressing gaps and challenges in clean energy transition and recommending corrective measures.
ix) Setting milestones and timelines for follow-up actions.
x) Any other issue to facilitate acceleration of clean energy transition in the State.

7. It will be the responsibility of the Convenor to conduct the meetings on regular basis and issue minutes timely.

TEJVEER SINGH
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